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Preliminary Amendment

SIR:

In response to the office action of August 3, 2007 and the notice of appeal filed December 6, 2007, and in filing the enclosed Request for Continued Examination, Applicant respectfully request that the Examiner consider the amendments made to the patent application as follows. Note that all previously presented claims have been cancelled *without prejudice* in order to materially advance the prosecution of the instant application.